



Volume Eight

Hopefully, by the time you read this you will have played a couple of rounds using the World Handicap System and feel comfortable with how it functions. As I went through the process, I was reminded of one of my favorite quotes “Things turn out the best for the people who make the best of the way things turn out”. Those words were from John Wooden one of my coaching heroes. Seems so easy and so logical, even if the process is difficult at the time!

Personally, I made a cheat sheet to carry in my bag so popping my card is simple until I get it firmly ingrained. Just remember three key numbers: your handicap, 18 and what’s left over. Leftover number is popped starting with most difficult hole until it is reached. If this thought process doesn’t work for you, devise one that does. Nobody needs to struggle with it at game time!



Good turnout for our meeting January 13. Lynne did a recap of the new handicap system and Darla got us started with match play rules for team play. So fortunate to have these ladies to keep us on the right track! Minutes from the meeting a included later in this issue.



On a lighter note, who says it never rains in Southern California? My playing partners on a January Thursday seemed oblivious to the down-pour! Carroll Somers and Lynne Bryars finally joined me in the cart and collected a well-deserved “Rain Check”.

Additional note about Thursday games, I get tee times every week and anyone is invited to join. I know several of you play North Kern on Thursday, but for anyone who wants this is an additional practice day for play at Riverlakes.



GOLF TOURNAMENTS

Local and Away

NK Sweetheart Tournament	2/13/2020
GwenTeague Memorial KR	3/25/2020
Bakersfield CC Invitational	4/1-2/ 2020
Stockdale CC Invitational	4/21-23/2020
Riverlakes Invitational	5/4/2020
Buena Vista Invitational	5/13/2020
River Is. Golden Girls	5/TBD
Riverlakes Ice Cream Social	7/TBD
Oak Tree Invitational	8/5/2020
Oak Tree Play for Pink	9/4/2020

North Kern Memorial	9/10/2020
Kern Women's Senior	9/TBD
Antelope Valley CC	10/9-11/2020
Kern River Invitational	10/28/2020
Rio Bravo Witch Hunt	10/20-22/2020
Seven Oaks Invitational*	11/3-5/2020
North Kern Fall Festival	11/12/2020
Bakersfield CC Christmas Tournament	12/4/2020

***Some restrictions apply.**

Schedule was updated January 10, 2020. Please check your email and Second Shot for changes and further updates.

Editors Request: If you play any tournaments, please send me photos and results.

TEAM PLAY 2020

Schedule

At the request of our captain, Darla Hobbs, keep the following dates for your records and add to your calendars for 2020. Dates are subject to change depending on weather conditions. (Think spring snow at Oak Tree!)

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| (1)Monday March 2 | Riverlakes @ Buena Vista |
| (2)Monday March 16 | Kern River @ Riverlakes |
| (3)Monday April 6 | No. Kern @ Riverlakes |
| (4)Friday April 10 | Riverlakes @ Kern River |
| (5)Thursday April 16 | Riverlakes @ No.Kern |
| (6)Monday April 27 | Oak Tree @ Riverlakes |
| (7) Monday May 11 | Buena Vista @Riverlakes |
| (8)Thursday May 28 | Riverlakes @ Oak Tree |

In past years, Monday tee times were made for those not playing Team Play and that practice will continue as required

PEEPS

January 6



Dessa, Darla, Lindsay and Carroll chat about Lindsay's accident prior to teeing off for the first game day of the year. Lindsay is fine and played very well.



1st Net

Dessa Meyer



2nd Net

Lynne Bryars

Lynne collected CHIP IN money also!

January 13



Phyllis Harrison
1st Net



Gloria Raminha
2nd Net



Dessa Meyer
2nd Net (Tie)
Chip In



Mary Bangi
3rd Net
Chip In

January 13



Shelley Martel

Birdie #4



Brittany Sanchez

Birdie #15

Editors Note: Missed some Brittany action last month as she also got a Birdie on #5 on December 30. Also, miss these ladies on Monday, but have to pay the bills!

January 20



Juanita Nighbert

1st Net



Carroll Somers

2nd Net



Gloria Raminha

3rd Net

January 20



Darla Hobbs



Shelley Martel

The happy faces on these two ladies reflect the outstanding day they had on the course. Living up to their past success in the club championship, they ripped the course apart. Shelley's gross of 33 for the Best of Nine game was highlighted by a chip in birdie on #3. Darla's gross 47 included a birdie on #13.

Needless to say, they left very little \$\$ to Lynne, Louise and Karen, who all had chip ins! Congrats to everyone!!!

January 27



Karen Wass

1st Net



Dessa Meyer

2nd Net

**Exciting day for Dessa as she had 3 Chip Ins !!
They came on #3, #4 and #14. This achievement is a record for recent game days .
Congratulations, Dessa!**

January 27



Phyllis Harrison
3rd Net



Mary Bangi
4th Net



Lynne Bryars
Chip In #6

MEMBER PROFILE

Gloria Raminha Club President

I want to start by thanking everyone for your trust and confidence by re-electing me your 2020 President. I feel privileged to work with a very strong Board, who are committed to working hard for our Riverlakes Women's Golf Club. I appreciate the opportunity to serve as your President and I encourage any of you to share your ideas with me or other members of the Board of Directors.

I've been asked to give a profile of myself for the newsletter, so here is the short version. I grew up in Cayucos on a cattle ranch and moved to Taft in 1978 with my two children to begin my 33 year career with Chevron Oil Pipeline Company.

Once in Taft, I wanted to meet new people and make new friends, so I joined multiple softball teams and what was then the Kern Singles Ski Club in Bakersfield (now Avalanche Ski & Sports Club).

Although softball was a sport that I really enjoyed, I got hooked on snow skiing, especially giant slalom and slalom racing. I really enjoyed the competition and trained hard to be one of the top racers for the Far West Racing Association.

In 1995, Chevron reorganized and moved all their Pipeline Control Centers, that I worked in at the time, to Houston, Texas. I was transferred with the unit. Ski racing became difficult for me as I could no longer be as competitive in the sport while living in Texas. Although I haven't given up skiing, while I was in Houston I met Tom Mielke, my husband. Tom is a golf fanatic, so I took up golfing.

I transferred back to Bakersfield in 2009 as a Petroleum Measurement Specialist, then I retired in 2012. That's when I decided to join the Riverlakes Women's Club. I am glad I did join, not only do I get to spend lots of my retirement on the golf course, but I have made great friends and get to golf with a great bunch of ladies.

Gloria Raminha



Gloria is a leader on and off the course.



In October, we had a welcome home luncheon for Gloria. Her toughness is exhibited in her return to the course after knee surgery and we are really glad to have her back!

RIVERLAKES WOMEN'S GOLF CLUB
GENERAL MEETING, JANUARY 13, 2020

Gloria Raminha, President: Meeting was called to order at 2:09 PM

Gwen Eastwood, Secretary: Minutes were read from November 18, 2019 meeting and approved.

Dessa Meyer, Treasurer: Banking transactions from November 11, thru December 12, 2019. Beginning balance was \$5762.88, Deposits of \$798.20 for total of \$6561.08. Wounded Warrior check of \$300.00 cleared and bank fees for ending balance of \$6258.08.

Lynne Bryer, Handicap: New World Handicap posting was discussed and the importance of posting scores the same day as play because handicaps can change daily. Prior to play, golfers need to verify their handicap on USGA/GHIN, the easiest way is to load the application on your cell phone.

Phyllis Harrison, Rules: It was requested that Phyllis bring one rule of Team Play every week to be discussed and then have a question and answer session after golf.

Lynne Bryer, Membership: Lynn said we have lost 4 members.

Darla Hobbs, Tournament: Darla attended a Team Play meeting at Kern River. We will have further discussions regarding any changes to Team Play rules. On February 17th after our skills competition there will be a rules refresher.

Unfinished Business: We will have a meeting in February to start planning the May 4 Club Invitational.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:31 PM

PARTING SHOTS

IMPORTANT

First Annual Riverlakes Skills Challenge

DATE—February 17 TIME—9:00 AM

SIGN-UP FOR LIMITED ENTRIES IS FEBRUARY 10

Riverlakes members will be given first priority with our friends from other courses given spots in order of sign-up. Limited to 30.

Riverlakes Pro, Chad Harmon, has designed a fun and challenging morning. We will have lunch and awards after competition!

COST—\$25 (Does not include lunch)

Contact Darla Hobbs to sign-up today!